

BLUE RIBBON TASK FORCE ON THE MERIT SYSTEM
MEETING

October 18, 2005 – 1:00 P.M.

MINUTES

Members Present:

Secretary Erwin Roberts – Chairman
Secretary LaJuana Wilcher
Representative Michael Cherry
Juan G. Rodriguez
Karen Neeley
Fontaine Banks, Jr.
Jack Smith, Jr.
Senator R.J. Palmer, II
Vickie Yates Brown

Senator Dan Kelly
Todd Hollenbach, IV
Sarah Hall
Laura Babbage
Representative Jeff Hoover
Joy Moore
John Y. Brown
Janey Moores
William Lear

Members Absent:

Don Dampier

Tim Coleman

The seventh meeting of the Blue Ribbon Task Force on the Merit System was called to order by Chairman Erwin Roberts on October 18, 2005 in Room 131, Capitol Annex, and Frankfort, Kentucky.

Chairman Roberts then asked for the roll call. During Roll Call, the following members were noted as absent: William Lear, Don Dampier and Tim Coleman. William Lear joined the task force a few minutes after roll call was complete.

Chairman Roberts then asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the September 21, 2005 meeting of the Blue Ribbon Task Force on the Merit System. A motion to approve the minutes was made and seconded. All members voted in favor of the motion to approve the minutes of the September 21, 2005 Meeting of the Blue Ribbon Task Force.

Chairman Roberts then opened the floor for discussion regarding the task force members discussing the preliminary recommendations and proposed modifications thereto and delaying the vote to another day. During this open discussion the members concluded that delaying the vote would allow time for employee opinions to be heard prior to the vote through means of the upcoming employee input meetings.

Chairman Roberts then opened the floor for discussion of each of the preliminary recommendations and modifications. Each recommendation was then thoroughly discussed.

The discussion then turned to the plans for preparation of the final report to the Governor. Chairman Roberts indicated that there would be a full written report that would summarize the activities of the Task Force and would include all the materials which the Task Force reviewed as well as the recommendations.

There being no further discussion, Chairman Roberts moved to adjourn.